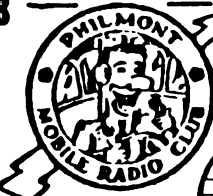


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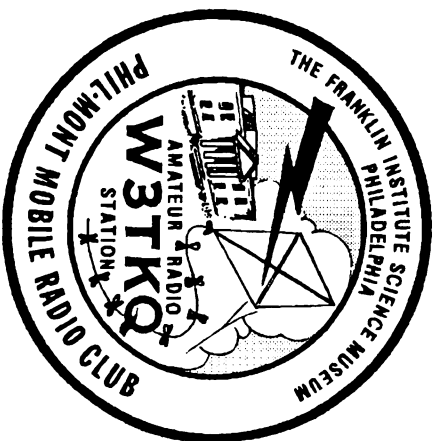




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444.80 MHz (186.2 Hz PL)

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	10:00	28.993	MHz SSB	"10-ON-10 NET"
	10:20	3.993	MHz SSB	75 METER NET
TUESDAY	20:00	147.030	MHz FM	CW PRACTICE NET
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Don Gordon, WB3KOJ

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Are you planning to join ARRL or renew your current membership?

Remember: the ARRL is more than just a magazine subscription!

Help PHIL-MONT by joining or renewing through the club.

Contact Jinny, W3IIN, for the details.

DIRECTORY UPDATE

It's that time again! With this *Blurb* you received your

1994 Dues Invoice/Directory Information Sheet.

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR INFORMATION AND RETURN TO W3IIN WITH YOUR DUES.
YOUR EARLY REPLY WILL SPEED THE PUBLISHING OF THE 1994 DIRECTORY.**

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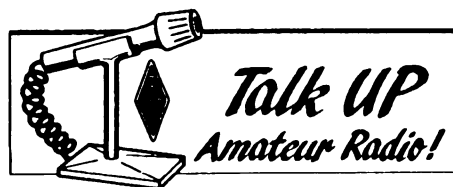


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 CLASS: Technician
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HOME PHONE: (215) 465-2247
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 OCCUPATION: Student
 INTERESTS: W3TKQ

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 19142
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 INTERESTS: W3TKQ, Repeater,
 Technical, Net Control



Rememberance

Kay Craigie, WT3P

"Remember how to smile: the future of Amateur Radio is you, and you can make it brighter every day," writes BOB WILCOX, KE3CZ in the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club *Blurb*.

The Amateur Radio family in the Delaware Valley has lost someone who lived according to that philosophy. JAKE KOV-ALCHEK, AK2I, became a Silent Key on October 11 after a brief illness. He was the don't-take-"buzz off"-for-an-answer man who led Phil-Mont's project to save W3TKQ at The Franklin Institute, and make it once again the region's showplace Amateur Radio station. Jake also started the monthly VE exams at the Institute, where many MARC members have taken tests. He was named ARRL Atlantic Division "Amateur of the Year" for 1991.

Jake was a dreamer and a practical man, a visionary who got things done. The day God was giving out chutzpah, this guy went through the line twice. Unsurprisingly, he was on a first-name basis with controversy. The line of hams who ever wanted to throw something at him would stretch around the block, but the line of his loyal friends would be just as long, and would have most of the same people in it. At Thanksgiving time, may we all be especially aware of the extraordinary friends we have met through Amateur Radio over the years, and be grateful for the ways they have enriched our lives.

Mid-Atlantic ARC's REMARCS

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 for free info.

The PREZ SEZ

Ed Masarsky, KB3IV



I can't believe I'm writing this for the December *Blurb*. This year has gone by as quickly as a blink of the eye!

We have been on an emotional roller coaster, from top-of-the-ride elation over contacting the shuttle astronauts, to the very bottom by losing some wonderful and loyal Phil-Monters this year. There have been many twists, turns and loops in-between. The upcoming year will hold many more challenges and changes for all of us.

One of the biggest challenges facing the club every year is the selection of candidates for club office. I offer my sincere thanks to Bill, N3FVI, for taking on the task of nominating chairman. This is probably one of the toughest jobs all year. You will notice that some of the positions have only one candidate running.

We have many qualified members who *could* be on the slate and would make excellent officers, but choose to decline when asked to run and serve. For many years we have been able to keep our club flourishing through the efforts of a few very loyal and

dedicated officers. Well, its crunch time folks. These people are starting to burn out. They can't and won't do it by themselves any longer. We need fresh troops. We need your help.

The first thing you can do is show up for the December meeting and vote. Show the candidates you appreciate their efforts just by being there. I know some of you really can't make it to the meeting, but you can still vote by absentee ballot. If you have not requested a ballot from our Judge of Elections, Jim, W3BBB, in the past few weeks it's too late. You are probably reading this a day or two before the election.

The next thing you can do is say *yes* when asked to help on a project or net, or giving time to W3TKQ. We are starting our 45th year of Phil-Mont with more members than at any other time in our history. We need your ideas. We need your support. We need you to say YES, I WILL HELP!

Sharon and I send our best wishes to all of you for a happy and healthy holiday season, and look forward to an exciting 1994 for Phil-Mont.

Winter Road Conditions

They're coming!... and if you're lucky enough to have gotten home safely, please don't hog the repeater while we're still out there. If we need to call for help, it's much easier if everyone simply remembers to *WAIT for the courtesy chime!*

"DON'T TAILGATE... WAIT"—for the courtesy chime!

LOOKAHEAD

- Dec 1 **General Meeting Program:
Annual Meeting & Elections**
- Dec 2 License Examinations at
The Franklin Institute
- Dec 15 Directors' meeting at
N3FVI's
- Jan 5 **General Meeting**
- Jan 6 License Examinations at
The Franklin Institute
- Jan 19 Directors' meeting at
N3GLU & KB3IV's
- Feb 2 **General Meeting**
- Feb 3 License Examinations at
The Franklin Institute
- Feb 16 Directors' meeting

HAMFESTS

- Jan 23 LANCASTER, PA
Columbia Area ARC
- Mar 5 ABSECON, NJ
Shore Points ARC
- Mar 26-27 TIMONIUM, MD
Baltimore ARC
- May 15 WRIGHTSTOWN, PA
Warminster ARC
- Aug 7 WARRINGTON, PA
Mid-Atlantic ARC
- July 31 TIMONIUM, MD
BRATS
- Sep 24-25 YORK, PA

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Confirm all information, in advance, with the contact person. Licensed applicants must bring a their original license and one photocopy of it. All applicants, including children, must present positive ID. Also bring the original, and a copy, of any Certificate of Successful Completion needed to prove current status. The ARRL VEC's 1993 test fee is \$5.60; there is no charge for a Novice test.

Monthly, 1st Thursday
The FRANKLIN INSTITUTE

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Monthly, 3rd Thursday
BELLMAWR, NJ
Bill Helmatag
(609) 546-7710

Irregularly
BRYN MAWR
Bob Lees
(215) 265-6032

Monthly, 1st Saturday
LEVITTOWN
George LeNoir
(215) 943-4886

Quarterly
LINWOOD, PA
The 96 Over The Hill Gang
Russ Stafford, AA3CH
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Monthly, 1st Monday
POTTSTOWN
Warren Erdman K3ZXQ
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Monthly, 3rd Monday
TELFORD
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Monthly, Last Saturday
UNIVERSITY OF PA
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Odd Months, Last Wednesday
WARMINSTER
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K3KUD's shack in 1962. Left to right: Heath Apache Xmr., Gonset G-50 Xceiver, Heath Mohawk Rcvr. police/fire and Phil-Mont monitors.



Spencer's first visit to a jewish-style delicatessen—and Don was buying!

DIRECTOR**Charlie Weigand, AA3EP**

I have been a licensed ham for 13 years, and have currently upgraded to Extra. I have been a member of Phil-Mont for just over four years, and have been your special events committee chairperson for over two years.

As you know our participation in special events has grown from just a few events to over seven, with a great increase of help from the members of Phil-Mont.. That is exactly what I would like to do as Director, help Phil-Mont grow with ham radio.

I have to try to fill a big void in Phil-Mont, as our loss of AK2I, but I will do my best.

DIRECTOR**Charles "Frenchy" Andrews, W3IRS**

"Let me make myself perfectly clear," I'd very much like your support and your vote!

I joined PMRC shortly after we were chartered, and have been elected Vice-President, Secretary, and Director several times, and have been consistently active except when hospitalized or on military duty.

I started as a '3-year' amateur operator license, was issued W3IRS in April 1940, when I renewed and upgraded class B to class A through grandfathering when licensed 1st class Phone and 2nd class Telegraph in '41. My final upgrade to Extra was 15 years ago, and I still hold commercial tickets.

Antenna, Field-Day, Refreshment committees are a few on which I have served; was *Blurb* Tech Editor, and since 1985, a VE. An ARRL member since '38, currently

a member of QCWA, several veterans organizations, and since the early '50s, US Army MARS and USAF-CAP to present.

When young, I was undecided on a civilian or military career, so I managed both. 'Twas Philadelphia Wireless and Drexel for education, pre and WWII Army khaki, Philco WPTZ/W3XE, then alternately WPEN & WPEN-FM, and USAFR blue until 1973 retirement.

Last, but importantly, "Lou" and I have been married 43 years, have two daughters who have blessed us with five granddaughters and a grandson. I would be ungrateful if I failed to say that Lou's tolerance and patience have been significant in allowing me to pursue a most enjoyable hobby, and participate as an amateur and Phil-Monter.

I optimistically look forward to getting your vote, which I really desire, and for which I thank you in advance.

DIRECTOR**Bob Schmilewske, K3KUD**

A member of Phil-Mont since 1961. Served as editor of the *Blurb* for 9 years; has been chairman of the Nominating and Awards committees several times, currently chairman of the Budget and Audit committee, and member of the Awards committee.

Assisted in obtaining the site for the center city repeater input. Has served as Director for several terms, both elected and appointed. Is an ARRL Volunteer Consulting Engineer, and, as such, assisted in the development of an anti-torque system for The Franklin Institute antenna tower.

Would like to continue an active role in the club.

MINUTES**NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING***Steve Hoch, WU3I, Secretary*

KB3IV opened the 527th general meeting at 7:42 p.m.

W3IIN reported on the treasury. Expenses were almost four times income since the Mid-Month meeting, but we still have more money than last year!

W3IIN for membership: There were five new members from the last Mid-Month meeting. The new members are N3PWT—Anthony, KE3GS—Bob, N3PDO—Mike, N3PSO—Paul and N3POK—Scott. WELCOME!!!

WU3I reported on W3TKQ. The ATV is still out for repairs. We received a report from an Official Observer on W3TKQ on October 22 on 15 meters CW. The report is under investigation.

KB3IV reported on the 'TKQ committee. Ed will continue on as Institute Liaison, and WU3I & N3FVI as technical. Ed also reported on many thanks from Lorriane Kovalchek, Jake's XYL, for the good wishes in her time of sorrow.

KE3CZ reported on VE Program. There were 22 elements given with a 50% passing rate. All wishing to be VEs contact ND3Q—Dusty. Generals on up may be VEs now.

W3IIM on the *Blurb*: OK for articles for now but don't stop folks.

W3BBB, in a rare appearance, reported on the repeater. Quoth he, "It's Working."

AA3EP for Special Events: Charlie thanked all who helped this year. Events are over for the winter, but he'll be back next

year.

KA3WWK for the Welcoming committee: Ben reported there were 42 members and 9 visitors present. The visitors were Tom Maresca, Miriam Roshman, Betty King, Robert Palko, III, Scott Olin, Matt Landel—KD6VYT, Bill Sullivan—N3QMH, Maureen McCloskey, Rong Deng and Anna Popovic.

Anna sold the 50-50, and the winner was K3EUI.

NEW BUSINESS

KB3IV introduced the nominating committee chair, N3FVI. Bill reported on the slate for next month's election.

KB3IV unopposed for President; WU3I unopposed for First Vice President; W3STW and KD4PWG for Second Vice President; N3KGG unopposed for Treasurer; KE3CZ unopposed for Secretary. K3KUD, W3IRS and AA3EP for Director. Vote for two. Note: KD4PWG was nominated from the floor.

W3BBB, as the Judge of Elections, announced as per the Board's decision, and the October Mid-Month minutes, absentee ballots are on request only. If you need a ballot please contact W3BBB—Jim Spencer.

N3GMH introduced W3QZO for the Old Timers' Night Program. Bob regaled us with tales and stories from almost 50 years of amateur radio and commercial broadcasting experience.

The meeting was closed at 9:15 p.m.

THE W 3 T K Q REPORT

by
Steve Hoch,
WU3I

Wow, these are some shoes!!

Oh, hello... sorry for the echo, but this is the largest pair of shoes I have ever tried to fill. This report will be rotating through three different authors in the future. As usual it takes three people to do what the last guy did by himself.

The station, in the last W3TKQ report from Jake, was awaiting security doors for the rear of the console. These doors have since been installed, and I have not had to fix anything for several months. What a pleasure to get to the station and operate the radios for a change.

The big question, among those who remember, is the fate of the Armstrong Exhibit, which Jake was guiding through the Institute. KB3IV will be investigating this, and will report in his guest visit in this column.

For now the station is in need of funding. I urge you to CHECK THE VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION on your dues renewal this year, and make a contribution to the operating fund of W3TKQ.

If you have not been to the station lately, now is the time. Contact the operator on duty so he can notify security at Winter Street to expect you by name, and allow you to enter the museum to make your way to the premier operating station in Philadelphia. The station's phone number is 448-1139 if you cannot contact by radio.

'Hope to see YOU at 'TKQ.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Al Tribble, W3STW

As this is a new office, I would hope that I could count on your support in this all important position.

I have been a licensed amateur since 1951, and currently hold an Extra Class amateur license. I also have been proud to be a member of The Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club for slightly more than a year.

I enjoy CW and satellite, as well as I have recently been involved with the digital communications modes.

As many of you know, I have been active at W3TKQ, the premier amateur station at The Franklin Institute, as well as the Phil-Mont VE program and Tuesday night CW code practice sessions. I am also the President of the Delaware Valley OMIK Electronic Communication Association.

When elected, I will endeavor to carry out the duties of Second Vice President to the best of my capabilities. Thank You.

SECRETARY

Bob Wilcox, KE3CZ

I am honored to be nominated as a candidate for the office of Secretary.

I was licensed in January of 1992, and within several months, through the assistance of the Phil-Mont code practice sessions, and VE testing program, had my Extra Class license in less than one year.

I am the founder of the Delaware Valley Ragchew Club, a VHF-UHF oriented club. I am a volunteer examiner with the Phil-Mont program, and also have attended each and every General Meeting and VE test session since becoming a member.

I have written numerous articles which

have been published in the *Blurb*, as well as had the privilege of serving as chairman of the Awards Committee this year.

When elected, I will strive to do what is needed of me, to carry on the good name of the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club.

TREASURER

Dave Witkowski, N3KGG

Well, it has been just over two years since my application for membership appeared in the October '91 Dedication issue of the *Blurb*, and now I have been nominated for the post of treasurer! I must say that, while it is quite an honor, I was thunderstruck when I heard over the air that I was running (thus far) uncontested. I have enormous shoes to fill!

For those of you who do not know me, I am engaged to and will be celebrating my fifth year with Stephanie (N3POJ) who is the daughter of AA3EP (formerly KA3EBC).

I have been very active with the club's public service events since receiving my ticket, and was briefly at the post of "welcoming" this year.

Amateur Radio has been a tremendous influence in my life. The people I have met through the club have been among the best I have ever known. I could provide a list of people and memorable encounters, but I must keep this brief, so I will close with this...

Jake Kovalchek, AK2I: it is sad that I only knew you for a very short time, but perhaps it is enough that I knew you. Thank you for the inspiration you have provided.

I hope that you will vote for me, I will do my best to fill those shoes!

The Slate

PRESIDENT

Ed Masarsky, KB3IV

This makes the twelfth time I'm writing my bio for the *Blurb*. Everything's pretty much the same as last year's, except we're all another year older. OK Jack, I know you have to fill half a page so here goes.

I have been an officer of Phil-Mont for twelve years. I joined the club in 1980, having been a ham since 1978. I was elected to the office of treasurer for 1982, and went on to be president in 1983 and 1984. I was again elected treasurer in 1985, and held the office through the end of 1992. I am the current president of the club, and am up for reelection in 1994.

Phil-Mont has given me many new friends over the years, who are now great old friends, and I want to continue to serve all of you.

We have a terrific slate of candidates for all the other positions, and I urge you to come to the December meeting to help elect next year's leaders of Phil-Mont. We need everyone's support to keep Phil-Mont as the premier ham radio organization. It is today, and will be for many years to come.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Steve Hoch, WU3I

Hello fellow members of Phil-Mont. As a candidate for election to the position of First Vice President, I'd like to introduce myself to those of you who may not know much about me yet, as well as let you who do know me, know a little more about myself.

I have been a licensed ham for the better part of fifteen years, the past eleven as an active member of PMRC. First licensed with the call KA3AMO, I have just received the call WU3I in December of 1991. I am a very active ARRL/VEC accredited Volunteer Examiner that many of you may have me if you have taken your license examinations at The Franklin Institute Science Museum.

I am a Volunteer Operator at W3TKQ, the premiere operating station of the Delaware Valley.

I am employed at SEPTA as an operator on the Market-Frankford Line.

I find time to stay active in as many club functions as possible, as does my lovely wife Joann, N3FTC (you all know her as Ernie, D&G's girlfriend. Hi Hi). I have four children ranging in age from 11 to 20 years and had my first grandchild this past May. They enjoy The Franklin Institute and Corestates Bike Race, but I have not been able to persuade them to try Ham Radio.

I am running for election for the office of First Vice President. In the past two years I have provided our editor with the minutes of the club meetings, both the General and the Board of Directors' meetings, in prompt and proper format so that they could be printed for all to read in the next monthly issue of the *Blurb*. I faithfully attend all PMRC meetings, and as many of the other activities, we as a club participate in, as possible. I sincerely hope that I can do as well in this new office as I have for the past two years in service to Phil-Mont.



PMRC's entry in the ALMO show of 1956—complete with Crosley dashboard, as described by Bob Thomas, W3QZO, at November's Ol' Timers' Night.

VE TESTING

The 96 Over the Hill Gang is holding VE testing at the Marcus Hook Baptist Church, in Linwood PA. on January 27th. They are testing for all amateur class licenses, and are also testing for General Class Radio Telephone, and 1st and 2nd Class Radio Telegraph Commercial licenses.

Registration starts at 6 p.m., and the doors are closed at 7 p.m.

For further informations, and instructions on how to get to the test site, call Russ-AA3CH at (215) 859-9210 or Charlie-AA3EP at (215) 324-0167.



Joseph E. McQueen

W3PCX

August 8, 1993

MINUTES

NOVEMBER DIRECTORS' MEETING

Steve Hoch, WU3I, Secretary

KB3IV opened the meeting at the home of W3STW at 8:15 p.m. Attending were KB3IV, AA3BB, K3KUD, N3FVI, KE3CZ, W3STW, WU3I, W3IRS, W3IIM, W3IIN, W3BBB and N3GMH.

W3IIN reported that the treasury income and expenditures were almost even for the period since the General Meeting. On archives, Jinny reported the missing tape of "Every Single Minute." If anyone is aware of its location, contact W3IIN.

W3IIM on the *Blurb*, reported that a new column, "Phil-Mont Pro-Philes" by KE3CZ, will start in January.

We need an Education Committee Chairperson. If anyone is interested in this position contact any officer.

AA3BB reported on three new applicants to be voted to membership this month. They are: Carol-N3PVO, Matt-KD6VYT and Butch-KA3WVT. W3IIM made the motion to accept. W3IRS seconded. The motion carried. WELCOME!!!

KB3IV reported on the net controls. All seem OK for now.

N3GMH on the programs: A program for January is in the works to allow the new 1st Vice President time to put together a program schedule for 1994.

KB3IV commended N3FVI for the good job on the refreshments with a need to coordinate the ice delivery in the future. It was recommended, with the large number of younger members, that soft drinks should be provided year round.

W3BBB reported that the repeater is

working and W3QZO is working on an "S" meter circuit for it.

KE3CZ reported on the VE program. There will be an increase in the exam fee January '94 to \$5.75.

KB3IV & WU3I reported on W3TKQ. Ed picked up the several boxes of literature for handouts from AK2I's in Cherry Hill. There was a lively discussion on youth volunteers at W3TKQ. There will be training sessions for W3TKQ scheduled for the near future. Stay Tuned!!

NEW BUSINESS

KB3IV reviewed the meeting schedule for 1994. If you have the ability to host a Board meeting in your home please contact a Board member. Available months are February, April, May, July, September, October and December.

KB3IV thanked N3FVI for the job he did on the Nominating Committee. Bill forwarded an apology to KB2ERL for neglecting him on the slate as he volunteered to run.

N3GMH made the suggestion to send letters to the major manufacturers and corporations for donations for 'TKQ. Paul will follow this up.

KE3CZ made a suggestion to form a NEW TIMERS' NET to answer the questions many of the new hams have. The idea was well received, and a time will be arranged for this net.

N3GMH made the motion to close the meeting. W3IIN seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

103RD MONTHLY VE SESSION STATISTICS NOVEMBER

17 candidates pass 34 elements
7 new amateurs plus 5 upgrades

VE team members:

Dusty Rhoads, ND3Q, Chairman

Russ Stafford, AA3CH; Bob Wilcox, KE3CZ; Barb Levine, AA3DV;
Steve Hoch, WU3I; Joel Kleinguenther, KA3SWU; Larry Clifford, W3UY

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W3TKQ BBS Back On Line

The W3TKQ BBS, on 144.990, has had a new program installed, through the courtesy of Sam White, N3FOA, and Bob Wilcox, KE3CZ, and is once again a 24-hour full service BBS. This means that NTS traffic and mail forwarding is possible—something that has not been available for some time.

MSYS version 1.13, a very user friendly BBS program, is up and running. To connect, you simply need to type C W3TKQ, and you will be asked to log on. Also, BBSTKQ, the W3TKQ K node, is also on 144.990. This may help extend the range of your present station, so give it a try.

If any users or volunteer operators should have any questions, please contact either Steve Hoch, WU3I, or Bob Wilcox, KE3CZ.

For Sale

- Rohn #6 Tower incl. taper top and hinged base plate LEM14 . \$40.00
- 10 meter vertical coaxial antenna LEM20 ... 10.00
- Archer SWR Bridge to 30 mHz OZR9 ... 10.00
- 3 El. Tri-band beam OZR14 ... 25.00
- 3 Band vertical antenna make unknown OZR16 ... 25.00
- Alliance rotator BBB ... 25.00
- H.P. 608F Sig Gen 10-500 mHz, CW, AM, 400/1000 BBB ... 75.00

Contact Jim Spencer, W3BBB
215-362-5172 or 147.03.

NEWSLETTERS EXCHANGED

Anne Arundel Radio Club (Maryland)
Baltimore Radio Amateur Television Society (BRATS)
Chaverim of Delaware Valley
Cherryville Repeater Association (NJ)
Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club (DLARC)
Delmont Radio Club
Fort Myers Amateur Radio Club (Florida)
Marple-Newtown Amateur Radio Club
Mid-Atlantic Amateur Radio Club (MARC)
Mobile Sixers Radio Club
Penn Wireless Association
R F Hill Amateur Radio Club
Reading Radio Club
Sanibel Amateur Radio Emergency Unit (Florida)
Sussex Amateur Radio Ass'n (SARA) (Delaware)
The 96 Over The Hill Gang (New Castle, Delaware)
Tompkins County Amateur Radio Club (New York)
Warminster Amateur Radio Club
Worldradio Magazine
Exchanges with additional parties are welcomed.

Amateur Radio Classes

The Penn Wireless Association is sponsoring classes at The Bucks County Community College in Newtown, PA. The classes will begin on Thursday, February 3, and will run weekly through May 5.

For more information, call Steve Ewall, WB3IRC, at 215-752-1202.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 GENERAL MEETING at The Franklin Institute Refreshments at 7:00 PM Meeting starts after 7:30	2 LICENSE EXAMS at The Franklin Institute Registration begins at 6:00 Doors close at 6:30 PM <i>sharp!</i>		
5 2M NCS KB3IV 10M NCS W3HFX 75M NCS W3PWG	6	7 CODE PRACTICE NET at 8 PM W3STW <i>Pearl Harbor 1941</i>	8	9 <i>Chanukah</i>	10	11
12 2M NCS N3FTY 10M NCS W3HFX 75M NCS AA3CH	13 <i>Geminid Meteor Shower</i>	14 CODE PRACTICE NET at 8 PM N3ALW	15 DIRECTORS' MEETING at N3FVI's <i>Bill of Rights Day</i>	16	17 <i>Wright Brothers Flight 1903</i>	18
19 2M NCS W3GQD 10M NCS W3HFX 75M NCS AA2FU	20	21 CODE PRACTICE NET at 8 PM N3FVI <i>Winter Solstice</i>	22	23	24	25 <i>Christmas Day</i>
26 2M NCS K3JJO 10M NCS W3HFX 75M NCS KB3IV	27	28 CODE PRACTICE NET at 8 PM K3JJO	29  OPERATORS' NET at 8 PM	30	31  <i>Straight Key Night</i>	<i>If you always do what you've always done, you'll always get what you've always gotten!</i>